

Assembly Bill No. 2554

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Chief Clerk of the Assembly

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Secretary of the Senate

This bill was received by the Governor this _____ day
of _____, 2012, at _____ o'clock ____M.

Private Secretary of the Governor

CHAPTER _____

An act to amend Sections 7011.4 and 7106.5 of the Business and Professions Code, relating to professions and vocations.

LEGISLATIVE COUNSEL'S DIGEST

AB 2554, Bill Berryhill. Contractors.

Existing law, the Contractors' State License Law, provides for the licensure and regulation of contractors by the Contractors' State License Board. Under existing law, there is an enforcement unit within the board with specified responsibilities. Under existing law, the registrar of contractors is the executive officer and secretary of the board and is required to carry out specified administrative duties. Under existing law, the expiration, cancellation, forfeiture, suspension, or voluntary surrender of a license does not deprive the registrar of jurisdiction to proceed with, among other things, any investigation or disciplinary proceeding against the license.

This bill would rename the enforcement unit as the enforcement division and would additionally specify that revocation of a license does not deprive the board of that jurisdiction.

The people of the State of California do enact as follows:

SECTION 1. Section 7011.4 of the Business and Professions Code is amended to read:

7011.4. (a) Notwithstanding Section 7011, there is in the Contractors' State License Board, a separate enforcement division which shall rigorously enforce this chapter prohibiting all forms of unlicensed activity.

(b) Persons employed as enforcement representatives in this division and designated by the Director of Consumer Affairs are not peace officers and are not entitled to safety member retirement benefits. They do not have the power of arrest. However, they may issue a written notice to appear in court pursuant to Chapter 5c (commencing with Section 853.5) of Title 3 of Part 2 of the Penal Code.

SEC. 2. Section 7106.5 of the Business and Professions Code is amended to read:

7106.5. The expiration, cancellation, forfeiture, revocation, or suspension of a license by operation of law or by order or decision of the registrar or a court of law, or the voluntary surrender of a license by a licensee, shall not deprive the registrar of jurisdiction to proceed with any investigation of or action or disciplinary proceeding against the license, or to render a decision suspending or revoking the license.

Approved _____, 2012

Governor